THE REPUBLICAN CLUB
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
54-56 WEST 40TH STREET

FROM THE ART COMMITTEE
TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CLUB:

Do You Know? ☞ That this month is the One Hundredth Anniversary of Lincoln's birth?

¶ That this Club should above all else, have an appropriate bronze bust of Lincoln in its Entrance Hall?

¶ That this month is the One Hundred and Seventy-seventh Anniversary of Washington's birth?

¶ That this Club should assuredly have in its Main Hall a bronze bust of Washington?

Do You ALSO Know? ☞ That a movement is now initiated by the Art Committee to acquire such bronze busts, and to subsequently acquire others?

¶ That upon even slight consideration you will probably enthusiastically support the idea?

Did You Ever Think? ☞ That were Lincoln living he would be more apt to be associated with this Club than any club in the City?

¶ That one hundred and thirty-three years ago Washington barely escaped capture by the British in the fields that are now Bryant Park?

And that should Washington stand on the steps of our Club House he would overlook the scene of one of the exciting events of his life?

(see details on fourth page)

Will You Not?

☞ Assist in procuring these bronzes by signing the enclosed card and mailing it?

¶ This matter has the approval of all the Club Officers, and everybody we have spoken to about it.

¶ *AND* if you are *especially responsive* will you not *ADD* in the lower corner such additional sum as seems to you about right in view of things from your point of view?

It Should Be Said!

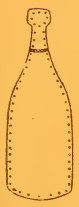
☞ That the selection of the particular busts will be deferred pending a return of the subscriptions, whereon much depends.

¶ Should a possible surplus exist after these acquisitions, it will be applied in the discretion of the Art Committee, probably in the acquisition of other bronzes of equally appropriate interest.

The Art Committee
of The Republican Club.

Have You Noticed?

¶ Why not look over the Club House carefully and see how things are coming in?



¶ We have lately been presented with the bottle out of which General Sherman and General Joseph E. Johnston took a drink at Johnston's surrender in the Bennett Farm House, Durham Station, N. C., on April 26, 1865.

¶ The drink out of THIS historic bottle marked the final close of the Civil War.

¶ As was remarked the other day, the Gray went down before the Blue, but the contents of this bottle went down between the two.

1st. The new oil paintings in the Club House.
(Some presented—some loaned)

2nd. The many autographed photographs recently presented.

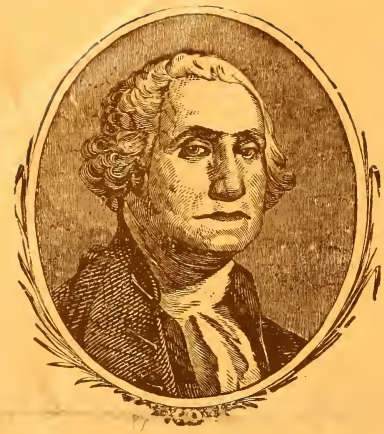
3d. The collection of about one hundred and fifty views of Old New York, in the Reception Room.
(owned by the Club)

4th. The two large bronze tablets in the Lower Hall.
(just presented)

5th. The many photos and pictures affecting the Club life and the Club history which have been collected and are being added to constantly.

6th. And the many other new things. Also the heads in the Grill Room—which collection we hope to add to.

☞ PLEASE TURN OVER



SEPTEMBER 15, 1776

¶ General Washington, and the fields now known as Bryant Park which fronts our Club House.

"At the road which then ran across the Island between what is now 42d and 43d Streets Washington met the ebbing human tide and was nearly swept away by the undertow. Like Sheridan, he shouted to the flying troops to turn back, but the frightened levies of Kips Bay had not the seasoning of the surprised army of Cedar Creek. In an open field, where now stands the Reservoir and Bryant Park, the General-in-Chief, assisted by the staff and several general officers, made a final and desperate effort to rally the fugitives, and here, lingering in the vain hope of presenting a decent front to the British, Washington nearly fell into their hands, and in mingled rage and despair was fairly dragged away by his friends."

From Memorial History of New York. Vol. II, p. 516.
See also Johnston's "Campaign of 1776." Vol. III, p. 235.

Bryant Park from the Club House in 1904

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